

## HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

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VANNA VENTURI HOUSE  
(Mother's House)  
8330 Millman Street  
Philadelphia  
Philadelphia County  
Pennsylvania

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James W. Rosenthal, photographer, December 2009

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| PA-6776-1 | Perspective view, facade, looking west.  |
| PA-6776-2 | Perspective view, rear wall, looking north. The lunette on the second floor contains doors from the studio-bedroom that provides access to a small balcony behind the parapet. |
| PA-6776-3 | Perspective view, looking east. The dining area opens onto the sheltered, room-like porch visible at center.   |
| PA-6776-4 | Detail view, exterior stairs descending to the cellar, which contains mechanical equipment, from just outside the kitchen door.  |
| PA-6776-5 | View out into the yard from the porch, looking north.  |
| PA-6776-6 | Interior view, looking northeast from the dining area toward the stair and front doors.  |
| PA-6776-7 | Interior view, looking southeast from the dining area into the living area.  |
| PA-6776-8 | Interior view, second floor studio-bedroom, looking northwest. The open door provides "access" to what Venturi called the "nowhere stair."                                     |

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Interior detail, "nowhere stair" and window looking into the main stairwell. The nowhere stair is an element of whimsy in the space at the top of the stairwell, although Venturi suggested, perhaps only after-the-fact, that it had practical value for window washing and painting.